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TAGS:OVIP (INGERSOLL, ROBERT S.)

SUBJECT:NSSM 209: LETTER FROM DR. RAY

FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF LETTER DATED NOV. 8 FROM DR. DIXIE
LEE RAY, USAEC TO MR. INGERSOLL:

QUOTE HONORABLE ROBERT S. INGERSOLL

ACTING SECRETARY OF STATE

DEAR MR. INGERSOLL: UNFORTUNATELY I WAS IN TRAVEL
STATUS WHEN YOU CALLED ME YESTERDAY.

I DO UNDERSTAND AND ACCEPT YOUR POINT THAT THERE ARE
UNRESOLVED DIFFERENCES BETWEEN OUR STAFFS ON THE TEXT OF
NSSM 209 AND ON THE TREATMENT ACCORDED SOME OF THE
ISSUES IN THE CONCLUSIONS AND OPTIONS SECTION OF THE REPORT.
I BELIEVE, HOWEVER, THAT ALL OF THE SIGNIFICANT ISSUES ARE
PRESENTED AND DISCUSSED, BOTH PRO AND CON, IN THE STUDY.
ACCORDINGLY, THE PRESENT STUDY APPEARS TO ME TO BE BOTH
COMPREHENSIVE AND USEFUL AS IT NOW STANDS. THERE WILL BE
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AN OPPORTUNITY TO INCLUDE ANY DIFFERENCES OF JUDGMENT ON

THE APPROPRIATE COURSES OF ACTION IN RESPONSE TO AN ANTICIPATED NSC REQUEST FOR AGENCY VIEWS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE RECOMMENDATIONS SECTION.

I AM ENCLOSING A COPY OF MY LETTER TO DR. KISSINGER WHICH TRANSMITS NSSM 209 FOR FURTHER ACTION BY THE NSC. MY LETTER DISCUSSES THE SITUATION AND EXPLAINS WHY I FELT THAT FURTHER TIME-CONSUMING EFFORTS TO OBTAIN A GREATER DEGREE OF CONCENSUS WOULD BE INAPPROPRIATE. AS FURTHER BACKGROUND, I AM ENCLOSING COPIES OF TWO MEMORANDA TO ME FROM MR. LEGASSIE OF THE AEC STAFF. IN MY MIND THEY RAISE TROUBLING QUESTIONS ABOUT BOTH THE LATENESS AND THE NATURE OF ISSUES RAISED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE STAFF IN THE MOST RECENT MEETING OF OCTOBER 30.

I LOOK FORWARD TO REVIEWING THE SITUATION WITH YOU ON NOVEMBER 13 WHEN YOU RETURN. I AM MOST DESIROUS OF RESOLVING THIS SITUATION PROMPTLY AND IN A CONSTRUCTIVE WAY SINCE THERE ARE NUMEROUS IMPORTANT AREAS IN THE NUCLEAR FIELD WHICH REQUIRE AN EFFECTIVE WORKING RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN OUR AGENCIES.
SINCERELY, DIXIE LEE RAY, CHAIRMAN UNQUOTE

2. RESPONSIBLE BUREAUS WILL HAVE TALKING POINTS FOR YOUR RESPONSE TO DR. RAY AVAILABLE ON YOUR RETURN. MAW

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